

BENNETT AND SARAH
SWEAT LINDSAY



Bennett Lindsay was born October 23, 1882 at Center Creek, the seventh child of James and Agnes Watson Lindsay. He married Sarah Elizabeth Sweat on Nov. 23, 1905 at Center, and the marriage was later solemnized in the Salt Lake Temple. She was born Nov. 15, 1885 at Center, the daughter of Louis and Elizabeth Broadhead Sweat.

During his early life, Bennett worked with his father in farming and the sheep business, but did not join the LDS Church. After he met Sarah, he joined the Church and then had their marriage solemnized in the Temple. Much of his life after this was spent in active Church work. Six years after his marriage he received a mission call, and though it was difficult to leave his wife and three small youngsters alone at home, his faith never wavered and he served two years in the Central States Mission. Following his

mission he was called to serve as a member of the Center Ward bishopric and then in 1917 began a period of service as Bishop for 22 years.

Two years after his marriage, Bennett had saved enough money and materials to build a home for his family just east of his father's property in Center. He and his wife worked hard to make a lovely home and provide for their family. He joined with the father and brother in the sheep business, and was often required to be away from home, leaving his wife to care for their 11 children.

During his service as bishop a new chapel was erected in Center, and also during this time culinary water and electric lights were installed in the community. He spent much of his time helping these projects move along. Much sacrifice was also required to support three of their children on missions for the Church.

Sarah was also active in Church work, serving as an officer and teacher in the auxiliary organizations. She also was president of the PTA and was named Wasatch County Mother of the Year in 1959.

Bennett served as a member of the school board, as a director of the Lake Creek Irrigation Company, a member of the Soil Conservation Committee, was president of the County Farm Bureau and a board member of the Farm Home Administration.

Their eleven children include Ethel who married Clyde Broadbent and is the mother of five children; Louise, deceased, a twin who married Grant Averett and had four children; Louis, deceased, twin of Louise, married Ellen Christensen and had one son; Hazel, who married J. Clyde Howe and has seven children; Mabel who married Kenneth L. Anderson and has five children; Alice, a twin, who married Phillip Moon and has seven children; Allen, twin of Alice, who was killed in Germany during World War II; Wrex who married Ada Sabey and has four children; Doris who married Fay Parker and has six children; Robert, a twin, who married Isabell Daugherty Morgan and has two children and Bennett, twin of Robert, who married Kathleen Kohler and has five children.